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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed November 28, 2003, said period of response being extended from February 28, 2004 to March 28, 2004. Since March 28, 2004 falls on a Sunday, the request is effective for a carryover to Monday, March 29, 2004.

Our check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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